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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 12 January 1982

The Director chaired the meeting. []

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The Director said that over the weekend he prepared for his meeting with the PFIAB on 13 January by reviewing an outline of what he sees as the objectives of the Intelligence Community. He added that as a result of this review he would like all Morning Meeting attendees to lay out for him the objectives they intend their components to achieve this year. []

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The Director said we have to decide by the end of this month where we want to go on FOIA. He noted there is some sentiment that the Agency modify its request for a total exemption to the FOIA. In response to the Director's request, the Morning Meeting attendees agreed we should not modify our FOIA request but should attempt to push for the whole exemption. [] reported he has a 3 February meeting with several representatives of the American newspaper industry and suggested that the Director plan to attend. [] believes if the Director presents the reasons for CIA's request for FOIA exemption, the newspaper representatives will be more sympathetic to our problems and this could help the Agency in getting the legislation passed. []

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In response to the Director's question, Admiral Inman said that the D/ICS should be the PFIAB contact point in matters relating to the Intelligence Community and that the Executive Director and Executive Secretary should be the contact points on matters relating only to CIA. []

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Briggs commented that last night's PBS broadcast of the Frank Terpil interview points up the complexity of the whole case. Briggs said regardless of the duration or findings of the congressional hearings on Wilson/Terpil, he intends to press the CIA investigation until he is sure all the facts are in. In response to McMahon's question, Briggs said questioning of former CIA employees who may have had contact with Wilson or Terpil would not prejudice the U.S. Government's case in any subsequent prosecution. []

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Sporkin reported that a memorandum on the implementation of Executive Order 12033 has been sent to the Department of Justice for comments by the end of the month. []

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[] reported the Director has sent a letter to the Chairman of the SSCI requesting the Committee investigate what may be behind the many Jack Anderson columns regarding the U.S. Intelligence Community. []

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Gates reported he has re-established the Watch Committee which will be comprised of himself, the D/NSA, D/DIA, and D/INR and which will meet every Thursday morning; reports will be issued every Friday. []

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Lipton reported that OMB had approved the entire [] supplemental request for the FY 1982 budget. []

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McMahon said he has decided to hold meetings every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings with the Deputy Directors; he invited all the Morning Meeting attendees to submit items they wish the Deputy Directors to discuss. McMahon added he will be picking up the EXCOM shortly and has decided to reduce its membership to the four Deputy Directors. []

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